

Response Rates for the 2019 Annual Survey of Public Employment & Payroll

Revised estimates for the 2019 Annual Survey of Public Employment & Payroll were released in May 2022. U.S. Census Bureau standards require a Unit Response Rate (URR) of 60 percent for all data by state. A URR of 60 percent means that of the units surveyed, at least 60 percent have responded. A Total Quantity Response Rate (TQRR) standard is also set at 70 percent. TQRR measures the portion of a variable representing survey responses. For key variables *Total March full-time and part-time employment* and *Total March payroll (in whole dollars)*, a TQRR of 70 percent indicates that 70 percent of the employee and pay estimates are from survey responses.

The 2019 revised data met URR and TQRR standards with some notable exceptions (See tables below). Additional non-response follow-up efforts will be undertaken prior to future publications in attempt to obtain data from previous non-respondents. Additional research will also be conducted on state and local governments to identify governmental units contributing to the low TQRRs in those non-compliant states.

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Unit Response Rate (URR) and Total Quantity Response Rates (TQRR) By State: Local Governments

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State		URR	Employment TQRR	Payroll TQRR
United States Total		71.7%	77.4%	77.9%
Alabama	*	66.0%	70.6%	69.4%
Alaska		75.3%	80.6%	81.7%
Arizona		65.8%	76.4%	78.8%
Arkansas	*	60.9%	66.9%	69.8%
California		66.6%	78.7%	79.1%
Colorado	*	66.3%	64.3%	68.2%
Connecticut	*	61.9%	57.5%	57.3%
Delaware		88.7%	99.2%	99.3%
D.C.		75.0%	75.6%	77.9%
Florida		81.9%	92.5%	93.1%
Georgia		73.5%	84.0%	85.9%
Hawaii	*	46.2%	35.9%	42.9%
Idaho	*	75.0%	70.1%	67.6%
Illinois		78.0%	76.0%	76.3%
Indiana	*	77.6%	68.7%	67.5%
Iowa		74.1%	81.2%	83.1%
Kansas		73.0%	80.0%	80.8%
Kentucky		76.7%	80.0%	80.4%
Louisiana	*	69.1%	57.0%	60.4%
Maine		69.6%	72.8%	72.1%
Maryland		76.2%	74.1%	73.7%
Massachusetts	*	64.2%	67.5%	70.1%
Michigan	*	74.7%	65.5%	68.0%
Minnesota	*	75.7%	69.0%	67.8%
Mississippi	*	59.8%	60.8%	60.4%
Missouri		71.0%	70.6%	72.1%
Montana	*	55.0%	62.5%	62.8%
Nebraska		78.7%	82.6%	84.8%
Nevada		76.1%	82.1%	85.2%
New Hampshire	*	67.6%	68.1%	69.4%
New Jersey	*	72.5%	69.4%	69.9%
New Mexico	*	60.3%	65.3%	66.9%
New York		77.7%	75.7%	74.4%
North Carolina		89.0%	89.7%	90.2%
North Dakota		68.2%	89.3%	94.3%
Ohio		61.9%	73.0%	72.4%
Oklahoma		70.7%	84.3%	83.7%
Oregon		79.1%	88.1%	89.3%
Pennsylvania		68.9%	78.3%	79.4%
Rhode Island	*	57.5%	66.4%	67.8%
South Carolina		69.4%	74.6%	73.5%
South Dakota	*	58.3%	52.2%	48.7%
Tennessee		75.1%	84.3%	86.7%
Texas		69.2%	81.4%	80.3%
Utah		74.8%	85.3%	87.2%
Vermont	*	54.6%	64.6%	67.4%
Virginia		81.9%	81.7%	81.7%
Washington		90.7%	95.1%	94.8%
West Virginia		71.2%	81.9%	84.5%
Wisconsin		75.6%	75.0%	76.3%
Wyoming		75.3%	83.0%	82.9%

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Arkansas *	100.0%	67.3%	60.5%
California	100.0%	99.2%	96.4%
Colorado	100.0%	97.4%	97.8%
Connecticut	100.0%	90.5%	91.1%
Delaware	100.0%	99.8%	99.6%
Florida	100.0%	84.3%	85.4%
Georgia	100.0%	76.1%	78.2%
Hawaii	100.0%	83.8%	99.4%
Idaho	100.0%	95.0%	94.7%
Illinois	100.0%	98.1%	98.9%
Indiana	100.0%	98.3%	98.6%
Iowa	100.0%	98.7%	97.2%
Kansas	100.0%	80.2%	81.6%
Kentucky	100.0%	82.1%	90.6%
Louisiana	100.0%	86.2%	86.8%
Maine	100.0%	95.9%	97.0%
Maryland *	100.0%	54.8%	62.4%
Massachusetts	100.0%	82.8%	82.3%
Michigan	100.0%	88.1%	90.5%
Minnesota *	100.0%	50.8%	54.8%
Mississippi	100.0%	97.0%	99.1%
Missouri	100.0%	86.6%	88.5%
Montana	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Nebraska	100.0%	72.7%	72.5%
Nevada	100.0%	75.1%	79.7%
New Hampshire	100.0%	93.2%	93.9%
New Jersey	100.0%	83.3%	83.7%
New Mexico	100.0%	99.4%	99.5%
New York	100.0%	87.7%	89.6%
North Carolina	100.0%	95.9%	87.8%
North Dakota	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Ohio *	100.0%	67.1%	71.3%
Oklahoma	100.0%	85.8%	84.7%
Oregon	100.0%	97.4%	99.6%
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Texas	100.0%	79.0%	74.2%
Utah	100.0%	99.5%	99.6%
Vermont	100.0%	75.0%	72.5%
Virginia *	100.0%	73.7%	69.5%
Washington	100.0%	98.1%	99.6%
West Virginia	100.0%	97.1%	98.4%
Wisconsin	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Wyoming *	100.0%	60.4%	65.3%

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